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TO AMEMBASSY TEHRAN

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SUBJECT: SECURITY ASSISTANCE INSPECTION

FOR THE AMBASSADOR FROM UNDER SECRETARY MAW

1. FOLLOWING THE RECENT INFORMAL VISIT TO TEHRAN BY A TEAM FROM THE INSPECTOR GENERAL FOR FOREIGN ASSISTANCE (IGA), AND HAVING IN MIND BOTH THE VERY SUBSTANTIAL INCREASE IN THE DIMENSIONS OF OUR SECURITY ASSISTANCE RELATIONSHIP WITH IRAN AND CONGRESSIONAL INTEREST THEREIN, IT HAS BEEN DECIDED THAT A SECURITY ASSISTANCE INSPECTION SHOULD BE UNDERTAKEN IN IRAN. THE INSPECTION IS TO BE A COMBINED STATE/DEFENSE EFFORT UNDER THE DIRECTION OF IGA. PRELIMINARY WORK IS NOW BEGINNING HERE. IT IS ANTICIPATED THAT AN INSPECTION TEAM WILL ARRIVE IN TEHRAN IN THREE TO FOUR WEEKS.

2. THE INSPECTION WILL INCLUDE AS APPROPRIATE: THE ROLE AND EFFECTIVENESS OF US GOVERNMENT COMPONENTS IN
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ESTABLISHING AND FULFILLING PROGRAM OBJECTIVES; THE CO-

ORDINATION AND INTERFACE BETWEEN THE VARIOUS US GOVERNMENT ELEMENTS WITH EACH OTHER, WITH ORGANIZATIONS AND ACTIVITIES OF THE GOVERNMENT OF IRAN, AND WITH THE CONTRACTORS; THE

ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE, MANAGEMENT AND CONTROLS EXERCISED IN CARRYING OUT THE PROGRAM; THE MANNER IN WHICH STUDIES AND SURVEYS ARE INITIATED, CONDUCTED AND USED IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF FMS CASES; THE PERFORMANCE OF FMS CONTRACTORS; AND RELATED MATTERS.

3. THIS MESSAGE IS INTENDED TO GIVE YOU TIMELY NOTICE. YOU WILL BE INFORMED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE OF THE NAMES OF THE INSPECTION TEAM AND THEIR PRECISE PROPOSED ETA IN TEHRAN.

4. I LEAVE IT UP TO YOU WHETHER AND WHEN YOU MAY WISH TO INFORM APPROPRIATE IRANIAN OFFICIALS REGARDING THE FORTHCOMING SECURITY ASSISTANCE INSPECTION. KISSINGER

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